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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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**Sir:**

Please amend the accompanying verified English language translation of the German language text of PCT/EP2005/050182, filed January 18, 2005; published as WO 2005/077797 A2 and A3 on August 25, 2005, and claiming priority to DE 10 2004 007 459.3, filed February 13, 2004, the verified translation forming the entire specification, and claims of the subject U.S. patent application, as filed, prior to the calculation of the filing fee, and prior to an examination of the application on the merits, as follows.